

FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

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If you missed the 2006 Governor's Conference,

Last year's "Volunteer Solutions" track featured a breakout session on engaging older adults as volunteers. More than 70 people attended this breakout session, and gave it some of the highest scores of any session at the conference. Vickie Manyard, from Visiting Nurse Service, led an excellent presentation that focused on the how baby-boomers approach volunteerism and how organizations can tap into this resource.

Don't miss the 2007 Conference.

Due to the great response last year, and to growing interest in learning how to tap into this highly-skilled, highly-motivated volunteer base, we've expanded this topic into an entire track this year, entitled "Harnessing Baby-Boomers' Experience". Attendees of this track will have the opportunity to learn from both local practitioners and nationally-recognized experts in the field, such as Andrea Taylor, from Temple University's Center for Intergenerational Learning. Andrea will lead a 3-hour interactive workshop on engaging baby-boomers in your organization to cap off day two of the conference.

For more information on this track, or on the Governor's Conference, go to our website: www.in.gov/ofbci/conference



An Opportunity to Help Kids

Are you interested in helping the Department of Child Services and the Indianapolis Colts place books in the hands of foster youth and young adults? If so, you are invited to participate in the Books For Youth Program.

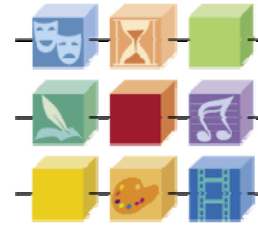
On any given day in Marion County alone, over 1,200 children are in the foster care system and too often they leave their belongings behind when they move. The Colts and DCS want to change that and are asking for your support to make a smart handoff to Indiana's youth. In order to provide every child in Marion County their own personal age-appropriate library, 50,000 books need to be collected throughout

the year. After this initial goal is met, they plan on implementing the program statewide so that all foster children benefit.

Organizations and businesses are encouraged to hold book drives to collect new and gently used books. Basically, an organization decides to hold a book drive, collect books, and then drop them off. For more information on the Books For Youth program, or to register your site for a book drive, please visit www.IN.gov/dcs/booksforyouth or call 317-234-KIDS. This program is one of many efforts to bring awareness to the growing need for community involvement in caring for Indiana's children.

Upcoming Deadlines

The National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities are seeking applications for the "Coming Up Taller Awards," which support programs that foster the creative and intellectual development of children and youth. The available grant range is \$10,000...but the deadline is **January 31, 2007**. For more information, visit <http://www.cominguptaller.org>



Who's Your Hero?

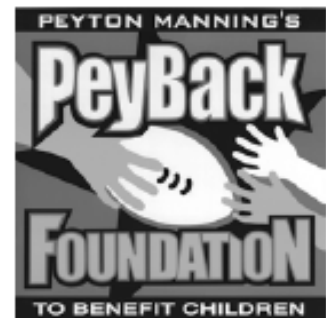


The purpose of Hoosier Heroes is to provide an opportunity for Indiana junior and senior high school students to identify Indiana citizens who have made significant contributions to society and who serve as role models and inspirational figures for youth. Heroes may be nominated in ten different categories: Agriculture; Arts/Entertainment; Banking/Finance; Business/Entrepreneur; Public Service/Military; Medicine/Health; Philanthropy/Volunteerism; Sports; Science/Technology and Education.

Students may nominate a living Hoosier who is a current or former resident of Indiana. The top 10 nominations will each receive a \$2,000 postsecondary scholarship, presented at the Hoosier Heroes Celebration in Indianapolis on May 10, 2007. The deadline for entries is **January 31, 2007**. For more information about Hoosier Heroes, visit www.HoosierHeroes.org

Grant Opportunity

The PeyBack Foundation, started by Colts superstar quarterback Peyton Manning, provides financial grants to youth organizations. Due to Peyton's close association with the Indiana, Tennessee and New Orleans Metropolitan areas, programs and projects related to the youth in these areas receive greater consideration. The grant range is \$20,000 and the deadline is **February 1, 2007**. For more information, go to <http://www.peytonmanning.com/Peyback/GrantGuidelines.html>



Nominate an Outstanding Nonprofit for the Leadership "IS" Award

Independent Sector (IS) is looking for nominations of nonprofit organizations that exemplify a culture of investing in the people of the nonprofit community for consideration for the 2007 Leadership IS Award. This award recognizes organizations that emphasize the development of staff, board, and volunteer leadership. Nominations are due by **February 15, 2007** and anyone may nominate an organization for this award. For more information, including an online nomination form, visit <http://www.independentsector.org/programs/leadership/OrganizationalAward.htm>



Saturday, February 3rd

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a youth-led, grassroots movement of caring, the result of thousands of young people joining together to fight hunger and poverty in their communities by collecting donations in soup pots. Since 1990, \$33 million has been raised for charities across the country. On or during the weeks leading up to Sunday, February 4th, join young people from 15,000 places of worship, schools, and other organizations to participate in the 2007 Souper Bowl of Caring. In addition to collecting donations, youth are encouraged to serve at the charity of their choice Saturday, the day before the big game. To learn more, visit <http://www.souperbowl.org/>

Save the Earth Now Resource Available

Learning to Give and YPII announce the creation of Save the Earth Now, a resource that addresses environmental stewardship and philanthropy. Save the Earth Now is a comprehensive resource for teachers, educators, parents, youth workers, and faith-based organizations to educate youth on the importance of environmental stewardship. It includes grade-specific lesson plans that provide teachers and youth workers with all the necessary materials needed to engage youth around the topic of environmentalism – global warming and recycling, management of natural resources, animal ethics, wilderness preservation, and activism. This resource is made possible by a grant from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust. For more information, email strout@indianagrantsmakers.org or call Eileen Ryan at 317-630-5200.

Rx For Indiana Leads the Nation in Prescription Assistance

Over 164,000 Hoosiers are receiving free or reduced price prescriptions through Rx For Indiana.

Launched by Governor Daniels in March 2005, Rx For Indiana is part of the national Partnership for Prescription Assistance. Rx For Indiana offers a single point of access to public and private patient assistance programs, including more than 150 programs offered by pharmaceutical companies.

According to the Partnership for Prescription Assistance, 13.1% of the target population (people between the ages of 18 and 64, with income below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level) in Indiana is receiving assistance with prescription costs, the highest per capita rate in the United States.

To see if you or a loved one is eligible for assistance through Rx For Indiana, visit www.rxforindiana.org or call toll free 877-793-0765.



Grantwriting for Beginners Class available

Start at the beginning with Part 1 of this training session. Learn how to research funding sources, write a case statement and develop a budget. Bring your grant proposal ideas and your questions on **Wednesday, January 23rd**.

Part 2 will teach you to tailor your proposal to a funder as well as how to include a realistic project management and evaluation component. This seminar will be on **Wednesday, February 7th**.

Both sessions will be held from **9 AM to 12 noon** at the United Way of Central Indiana, 3901 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis. The cost for each training session is \$45 for United Way agencies; \$50 other nonprofit agencies; and \$65 for corporations. For more information, contact Debi Lee at 317-921-1257 or at Debi.Lee@uwci.org

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